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**SAN MATEO COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT ANNOUNCES
CREATION OF NEW ONLINE SURVEY FOR SAN MATEO RESIDENTS**

Presiding Judge George A. Miram announced today that the court is launching an innovative program for county residents.

Beginning December 1, 2006, the court is initiating an online survey that can be found at www.sanmateocourt.org/survey. Its goal is to solicit input from the public on how the court can better serve the community. Such information will be used to help plan for future service enhancements.

Judge Mark R. Forcum, chair of the court's Community Outreach Committee said that by having the survey easily accessible online, more citizens would offer their views about the court. The survey invites open-ended comments about jury service, traffic court or any issue pertaining to the courts operations. Judge Forcum also noted that residents could also leave any ideas on a phone line set specifically for this purpose. The telephone number is 650-363-4884.

The survey is the foundation for the court's strategic plan, which is being updated according to incoming Presiding Judge, Robert D Foiles. According to Judge Foiles, the court is in the process of also setting up meetings throughout January and February to obtain further feedback.

The original court strategic plan, developed in 1999, led the court to develop improved Services for jurors, an online Help Center, EZLegalFile, Community Law Night and Court in the Schools Day according to Judge Miram.

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